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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR SECTION 1.116
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Akira Shiokawa et al.

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Title: PANEL DISPLAY APPARATUS AND
METHOD FOR DRIVING A GAS
DISCHARGE PANEL

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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action of April 13, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: